

1 Williams did not attend the claimed events. The dates of the trips Williams claimed include
2 the following

3 **2001**

4 August 7-8

5 **2002**

6 February 4-5

7 February 7-8

8 April 18

9 May 15-16

10 May 20-21

11 May 23-24

12 June 26-27

13 July 16-17

14 August 12-13

15 August 14-15

16 September 7-8

- 17 3. Between July 2001 and February 2003, Williams submitted 10 travel reimbursement claims
18 in connection with work-related conferences or other events. For these claims, there was no
19 documentation indicating that Williams actually made the trips or attended the claimed
20 events. The dates of the trips are as follows:

21 **2001**

22 August 31 to September 1

23 September 25-26

24 October 29-30

25 **2002**

26 March 20-21

27 April 11-12

28 May 1-2

29 July 28-29

30 August 18-19

31 **2003**

32 January 4-5

33 February 9-10

- 34 4. Between July 1, 2001 and February 28, 2003, Williams claimed 14 mileage reimbursement
35 claims in connection with trips to Costco. For the dates the mileage was claimed, there was
36 no corresponding reimbursement for goods or corresponding charges on the ESD credit card
37 or petty cash. Williams submitted these mileage reimbursements without any connection to
38 his work.
- 39 5. Williams submitted two travel reimbursements for trips from La Grande to Salem during
40 February 12-14 2003 and during February 15-17, 2003. Williams claimed round trip mileage
41 for both trips from La Grande to Salem but he did not return to La Grande in between trips.

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1 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2 By submitting one or more improper claims for travel reimbursement, Williams engaged
3 in gross neglect of duty under ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) (*Knowing*
4 *falsification of any document or knowing misrepresentation directly related to licensure,*
5 *employment, licensure, or professional duties*) and OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it
6 incorporates OAR 584-020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the dignity of the profession by*
7 *respecting and obeying the law, exemplifying personal integrity and honesty*); ORS
8 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*use*
9 *professional judgment*).

10 By claiming full mileage for trips where he was not so entitled, Williams engaged in gross
11 neglect of duty under ORS 342.175(1)(b); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(c) (*Knowing falsification*
12 *of any document or knowing misrepresentation directly related to licensure, employment,*
13 *licensure, or professional duties*), OAR 584-020-0040(4)(o) as it incorporates OAR 584-
14 020-0035(3)(a) (*Maintain the dignity of the profession by respecting and obeying the law,*
15 *exemplifying personal integrity and honesty*); OAR 584-020-0040(4)(n) as it incorporates
16 OAR 584-020-0010(5) (*use professional judgment*).


17 The Commission's authority to impose discipline in this matter is based upon ORS
18 342.175.

19 **FINAL ORDER**

20 The Commission hereby Suspends Lenny Nelson Williams' right to apply for an Oregon
21 Teaching License or Charter School Registry for one year.

22 IT IS SO ORDERED THIS 2 day of November, 2011.

23 **TEACHER STANDARDS AND PRACTICES COMMISSION**

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26 By: 
27 Victoria Chamberlain, Executive Director
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31 **NOTICE OF APPEAL OR RIGHTS**

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33 **YOU ARE ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW OF THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW MAY BE**
34 **OBTAINED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITHIN 60 DAYS FROM THE SERVICE OF**
35 **THIS ORDER. JUDICIAL REVIEW IS PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF ORS 183.482 TO**
36 **THE OREGON COURT OF APPEALS.**

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

I hereby certify that I served the foregoing notice of final order, certified by me as such, by mailing U.S. First Class Mail and U.S. Certified Mail—Return Receipt Requested, addressed to:

Lenny Nelson Williams
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Dated this 9th day of November, 2011.

By: Melody Hanson
Melody Hanson
Executive Assistant